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SUBJECT:GREENPEACE REPRESENTATIVES IN ICELAND

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B. REYKJAVIK 427

1. IF ASKED, EMBASSY MAY INFORM GREENPEACE REPS AND/OR
PRESS THAT TWO REPS OF USG ARE VISITING THE IWC COMMIS-
SIONERS OF SEVERAL IWC MEMBER NATIONS, INCLUDING, ICELAND,
TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE ON AGENDA OF
30TH ANNUAL MEETING OF IWC, JUNE 26-30, 1978, LONDON.

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THAT AGENDA IS LONG AND COMPLEX AND USG FINDS PRIOR CON-
SULTATIONS USEFUL IN DEALING WITH THE ISSUES AT THE
MEETING. SUCH CONSULTATIONS, BOTH BEFORE AND DURING
INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS, ARE NORMAL PART OF CONDUCTING
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

2. IF GREENPEACE REPS AND/OR PRESS WISH TO MEET WITH USG

REPS, ARON AND BARNES WILL DO SO IF RPT IF IT IS DONE ON A LOW KEY BASIS AND REPRESENTATIVE OF GOI IS ALSO PRESENT. PLEASE CHECK THIS WITH ASGIERSSON. IF GOI OBJECTS TO SUCH MEETINGS, ARON AND BARNES WILL CONCUR AND WILL FIND THEIR SCHEDULE TOO FULL TO MEET WITH GREENPEACE REPS AND/OR PRESS.

3. FYI: USG AWARE OF ICELANDIC POSITION ON MORATORIUM AS OUTLINED REF B AND DOES NOT EXPECT THAT IT WILL CHANGE. USG POLICY REMAINS ONE OF SUPPORT FOR 10 YEAR MORATORIUM ON ALL COMMERCIAL WHALING, AND UNTIL MORATORIUM IS ADOPTED, USG WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT NEW MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE AND PROPOSALS TO STRENGTHEN IT. ARON AND BARNES WILL DISCUSS THIS ISSUE FURTHER WITH EMABSSY AND GOI OFFICIALS. END FYI. VANCE

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